GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public services - Ananthapuramu District – Verification of the work "CPWS Scheme to Singanamala Constituency in Ananthapuramu District" taken up by Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division (N), Ananthapuramu District – Departmental Proceedings against Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District under the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal)Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 123 **Dated: 05-03-2025**

Read the following:-

1. Vigilance Report No.02 (C.No.69/V&E/5/2024), dated:16.12.2024 of Director General, G.A.(V&E) Dept.
2. Govt. Memo No.2401236/Vig.VI/V&E/5/2024, dt:16/12/2024.
3. Lr.No.Vig.I/RWS&S/Antp/V&E Report No.02/2025, dt:05.02.2025 of ENC, RWS&S.
4. G.O.Rt.No. , PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept., dt; .02.2025.

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Order :-

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal)Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charge (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of each Article of Charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the Articles of Charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District is directed to submit her written statement of defense within (10) days from the date of receipt of this G.O.

4. She is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge are not admitted. She should, therefore specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water

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Supply & Sanitation Sub- Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above, or does not appear in person before the Inquiring Authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against her exparte, based on the material available on record.

6. Attention of Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District is invited to Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall being or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interests in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from any person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the proceedings shall be acknowledged along with Annexure-I, II, III & IV.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub- Division, Singanamala of Ananthapuramu District of Zone–IV, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu District (w.e.) through the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the orders on the Charged Officer with dated acknowledgement and send the same to the Government for record)

Copy to
The General Administration (V&E) Department, Vijayawada.
The OSD to Hon’ble Dy.CM (PR&RD, RWS and EFS&T).
The PR&RD (Est.II) Dept.

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ANNEXURE–I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SMT.M.SREELATHA, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION SUB-DIVISION, SINGANAMALA OF ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT OF ZONE–IV, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT:

CHARGE:-

That Smt.M.Sreelatha, while working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala, presently working as Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Ananthapuramu has committed irregularities in the execution of the work "CPWS Scheme to Singanamala Constituency of the Singanamala Sub-Division of Ananthapuramu District" by recommending inappropriate data and has allowed excess amount for the loading and unloading charges, which were already covered in the initial cost of sand and metal items, which has led to financial loss for an amount of Rs.6,40,789/- to the Government exchequer.

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE–II

STATEMENT OF THE IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF EACH ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SMT.M.SREELATHA, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION SUB-DIVISION, SINGANAMALA OF ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT OF ZONE–IV, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT:

The Director General (Vig.&Enft.), General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department has submitted Vigilance Report No.02 (C.No.69/V&E/Engg/2018-1), dated 17.01.2024, wherein the V&E officials have verified the work "CPWS Scheme to Singanamala Constituency in Ananthapuramu District, Estimate Rs.40,00,000/-" and it was noticed that the officer, Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala has allowed the loading and unloading charges, which were already covered in the initial cost of sand and metal items.

Thus, Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala has recommended inappropriate data and thereby caused excess payment towards loading and unloading charges for an amount of Rs.6,40,789/- to be recovered from the agency, which is loss caused to the Government exchequer.

From this it is evident that Smt.M.Sreelatha, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Sub-Division, Singanamala has shown gross negligence while discharging her duties, lack of devotion to duty, lack of integrity, lack of impartiality and for behaving in a manner unbecoming of a Government employee and violated Rules 3(1) and 3(2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence the charge.

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE–III

LIST OF THE DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SMT.M.SREELATHA, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION SUB-DIVISION, SINGANAMALA OF ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT OF ZONE–IV, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED:

1. Vigilance Report No.02 (C.No.69/V&E/5/2024), dated 16.12.2024 of Director General, G.A.(V&E) Department.
2. Govt. Memo No.2401236/Vig.VI/V&E/5/2024, dt:16/12/2024.
3. Lr.No.Vig.I/RWS&S/Antp/V&E Report No.02/2025, dt:05.02.2025 of ENC, RWS&S.

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ANNEXURE–IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE ARE FRAMED AGAINST SMT.M.SREELATHA, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION SUB-DIVISION, SINGANAMALA OF ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT OF ZONE–IV PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED:

-NIL-

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
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